CLAIMS

I claim:

- 1. An illuminated tap handle comprising:
 - a handle portion with a detachable top end and a hollow portion inside the handle that opens up to the detachable top end;
 - a light source coupled to the handle portion;
 - a conducting portion coupled to the detachable end;
 - an energy source removeably connectable to the light source and removable from the handle portion;
 - a conducting strip with a first end and a second end;
 - the first end of the conducting strip coupled to the light source;
 - the conducting portion capable of touching the second end of the conducting strip and the energy source when the detachable top end is attached to the handle portion; and
 - the handle portion is capable of being secured to a tap.
- 2. The illuminated tap handle of claim 1 further comprising: the detachable top end threadably securable to the handle portion; the handle portion threadably securable to a tap; and a conductor fixedly connected to the light source and removeably connectable to the energy source.
- The illuminated tap handle of claim 1 wherein the light source is an incandescent light.
- 4. The illuminated dispensing handle of claim 1 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.
- 5. An illuminated tap handle comprising:

- a handle portion with a detachable bottom end and a hollow portion inside the handle that opens up to the detachable bottom end;
- a light source coupled to the handle portion;
- a conducting portion coupled to the detachable bottom end;
- an energy source removeably connectable to the light source and removable from the handle portion;
- a conducting strip with a first end and a second end;
- the first end of the conducting strip coupled to the light source;

the conducting portion capable of touching the second end of the conducting strip and the energy source when the detachable bottom end is attached to the handle portion; and

the detachable bottom end is capable of being secured to a tap.

- 6. The illuminated tap handle of claim 5 further comprising: the detachable bottom end threadably securable to the handle portion; the detachable bottom end threadably securable to a tap; and a conductor fixedly connected to the light source and removeably connectable to the energy source.
- 7. The illuminated tap handle of claim 6 wherein the light source is an incandescent light
- 8. The illuminated tap handle of claim 6 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.
- 9. An illuminated tap handle comprising:
 - a handle portion with a detachable top end and a hollow portion inside the handle that opens up to the detachable top end;
 - a light source coupled to the handle portion;
 - a conducting portion coupled to the detachable end;
 - an energy source removeably connectable to the light source and removable from the handle portion;

the handle portion capable of being secured to a tap.

a flexible conducting strip with a first end and a second end; the first end of the flexible conducting strip coupled to the light source; the second end of the flexible conducting strip situated between the detachable end and the energy source; the detachable top end capable of pressing the flexible conducting strip onto the energy source when it is attached to the handle; and

- 10. The illuminated tap handle of claim 9 further comprising: the handle portion threadably securable to the handle portion; the detachable top end threadably securable to the handle portion; and a conductor fixedly connected to the light source and removeably connectable to the energy source.
- 11. The illuminated tap handle of claim 9 wherein the light source is an incandescent light.
- 12. The illuminated tap handle of claim 9 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.